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**DECLARATION (37 C.F.R. 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN
APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 C.F.R. § 1.76)**

4398-537

Title of Invention: **VENT SYSTEM FOR CPAP PATIENT INTERFACE USED IN TREATMENT OF SLEEP DISORDERED BREATHING**

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

☐ The attached application, or
☒ Application No. _____, filed on **May 12, 2006**,
☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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